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Representative Alvin Holmes, Chairman Contract Review Legislative Oversight Committee Post Office Box 6064 Montgomery Al 36106

VIA HAND DELIVERY TO SUITE 617, STATE HOUSE,

Re:

Paragon Source, LLC Contract

## Dear Chairman Holmes:

The information requested by the Legislative Contract Review Committee regarding the contract extension for Paragon Source, LLC is herewith provided to the Committee.

Governor Riley has run the most open and transparent administration in the history of this State. Our administration discloses to the people of Alabama more information about how their tax dollars are spent and how State government operates than any administration in history. That is not going to change.

The Finance Department is complying fully with the Committee's request for information on this contract. All documents the Finance Department has in its possession related to this contract have been provided. Actually, the Finance Department is providing the Committee with far more documents than were even requested.

We are unable, however, to provide the Committee with information that the Finance Department simply does not possess regarding home addresses. If we possess it, we are providing it, and every document the Finance Department has related to this contract is included. In this one area, the Committee has requested documents that the Finance Department does not have and has <u>never</u> had. But we are providing every document that we do have.

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Furthermore, the Governor has instructed the Finance Department to offer the Committee our assistance in obtaining any additional information the Committee wants. The Finance Department will be more than pleased to help the Committee acquire additional information, if we can, and if you want us to.

Very truly yours,

. Bill Newton

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